IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
	Michael T. Carley, et al.)
Serial No.:	10/616,832) Art Unit
Filed:	July 9, 2003) 3733
Confirmation No.:	2679)
For:	CLOSURE DEVICE AND METHODS FOR MAKING AND USING THEM))
Examiner:	James L. Swiger III)
Customer No.:	57360	<i>)</i>

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

VIA *e*FILE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated September 17, 2008, be extended for three (3) months until March 17, 2009.

Payment in the amount of \$1,110.00 using the Credit Card payment option in E-Filer with RAM will be used to cover the payment of the fees with respect to this Petition for Extension of Time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Dated this 16th day of March, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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